

July 21, 2003

The Honorable William M. Thomas Chairman Committee on Ways and Means U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Thomas:

We commend you for introducing legislation to reform the international tax provisions of U.S. tax law and make other tax changes that promote U.S. jobs and competitiveness, particularly provisions to help small businesses and their domestic suppliers.

Enactment of your legislation will have a positive impact on the domestic economy. Your bill will help level the international playing field, enhance the ability of U.S. companies to compete in global markets, and strengthen our domestic economy.

On behalf of our companies and our more than 1200 Burger King franchisees and 300,000 employees, thank you for your leadership, and we offer our support and assistance.

Sincerely,

Frank Capaldo

Executive Director